



The Roman Catholic  
**DIOCESE OF  
PRINCE GEORGE**

# Wednesday Weekly

February 21, 2024

**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**February 25, 2024**

*Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"*

-Mark 9.2-10



**When Applicable** – please ensure that the following items, especially those marked with an \*, are in your bulletin and/or are also announced so that the same information is heard across the diocese. Thank you.

**Online Broadcast of the Daily /  
Sunday Masses:**

- [Sacred Heart Cathedral, PG Facebook](#)
- [St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers Facebook](#)

**For those with cable or optic TV,  
please check with your provider  
for the following or go directly to:**

- [Salt & Light](#)

- [VisionTV](#)
- [EWTN TV](#)

**Attachments**

- Ignatian Silent Retreat for Men Poster
- Photo-Video Release Form
- 2023-24 Appeal Update – Feb 21 2024

## Called Together and Healing and Reconciliation Appeal Updates

Attached is the updated Appeal Update for February 21st. There is really not much to report over the past two weeks as we saw incremental contributions over that period.

We are currently at almost 86% of our diocesan total with almost 85% received. That means that our appeal fund recipients will only receive 85% of the funds they hoped to receive.

We are at \$34,000 for our Healing and Reconciliation Appeal with all funds received.

As we begin our Lenten journey, perhaps you would consider making an additional donation to the appeal to help support our smaller parishes, missions and ministries, which include Shepherd's Corner's ministry to the homeless, the Rose Prince Pilgrimage and our Pro-Life fund. Your gift goes a long way to help others.

We thank you for your continued generosity -- both financial and in your continued prayers.

## Appeal Tax Receipts

All tax receipts have gone out. Some were made available at the Prince George parishes last weekend. All of the other receipts have been sent in the mail.

A couple important things to note:

1. We issue tax receipts for the 2023 calendar year -- not the appeal year that runs from July to June. You may be receiving receipts for donations made any time during 2023 and may span two appeal years.
2. We issue separate receipts for Called Together and the Healing and Reconciliation Appeals and each receipt includes the total amount donated over the course of the year. However, you may receive multiple receipts if you made separate donations that support different parishes.
3. We do not provide tax receipts for donations made online through CanadaHelps. You will already have received a tax receipt from CanadaHelps for your donation and we are not permitted to issue those receipts. If you require a replacement receipt for your donation, please go to <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/tax-receipts/> and they will immediately email you a replacement.

If you don't receive a receipt by the end of next week, please reach out to [appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca) and we will send you a replacement by email.



## 2024 Chrism Mass



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*The Chrism Mass and  
Renewal of Priestly Promises*

**Sacred Heart Cathedral  
Wednesday, March 20, 2024, 7:00 PM**

LIVESTREAM via  LIVE  @RCDPG or @cathedralpg  FM Radio 102.5

## Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG) has begun recruiting for the 2024-2025 school year.

We ask for your prayers and help to find Catholic, certified teachers for our 8 Catholic Schools. All 8 schools have vacancies including the Principalship at Sacred Heart School in Prince George. CISPG hires non-Catholics with the expectation they understand and are respectful to Catholic values and lifestyle.

Teaching vacancies and the application forms can be found at <http://cispg.ca/careers/>

Please share this with anyone you may know that could be teaching in our vibrant Catholic Schools!

## Submit your Photos to the Wednesday Weekly

If you have photos of a parish event, achievement, or ministry in action in your community, consider submitting them to the Wednesday Weekly at [reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca). Have a story to tell that goes with it? Let us know and it can be featured in the Quarterly Special Edition (next edition: March 27, 2024).

Please see the attached release form to ensure that proper permissions from the people in the photos have been granted prior to submitting photos.

## Save the Date: Men's Spiritual Retreat – Mar 1-3, 2024

Men's Spiritual Exercises Retreat

Date: Mar 1-3, 2024

Please see the attached poster for details.

For more information, contact Norman Hebert  
[norman.hebert@protonmail.com](mailto:norman.hebert@protonmail.com)  
778-890-0540

## 40 Days for Life – Lenten Campaign

The Right to Life Society of Prince George invites you to participate in our 40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign. This year's campaign began on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and will end on Sunday, March 24. Each day, we gather along the footpath at the intersection of Ferry Avenue and Hwy 16 W from 1:00-2:00 PM. Since 2007, 40 Days for Life has played a pivotal role in saving the lives of 24,239 unborn children and in the closing of 148 abortion clinics. Your prayerful presence will be a visible witness to the sanctity of the lives of the unborn and help to save many more lives. Please come and join us whenever possible.

## Advokate – Baby Bottle Campaign May 12<sup>th</sup> to June 16<sup>th</sup>

Advokate Life and Education Services' annual Baby Bottle Campaign will take place from May 12<sup>th</sup> to June 16<sup>th</sup>.

The mission of Advokate is “to bring hope in action to vulnerable women and low-income families facing unplanned pregnancy while promoting the inherent worth and dignity of every human being.”

If your Parish would like to participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign, please email Bethany at [bethany@advokate.ca](mailto:bethany@advokate.ca) and let her know how many bottles you will need. Advokate also has promotional materials for the campaign available here: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zMB2qqQxm8ac5GuwyviceO8Fyt2dZD6A>

You can also fill a virtual bottle at <https://babybottles.ca/>

## Grief to Grace Retreat: May 14-18, 2024



Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is **May 14 - 18, 2024 in Kelowna**. For more information please email [griegtograncelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtograncelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

## Mark Your Calendar – Invitation to Youth Camp

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR - INVITATION TO ALL YOUTH GRADES 8 to 12**

**EVENT: YOUTH CAMP**

**Date:** April 5-7, 2024

**Location:** Domano Retreat Centre

**Fee:** \$65 for initial child and \$20 for any subsequent child from the nuclear family

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

Mark and Ann-Marie Macapinlac

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Email: [markmacapinlac@protonmail.com](mailto:markmacapinlac@protonmail.com)

**This event is in partnership with CFC-Youth for Christ.**

**Want to share news in the Wednesday Weekly?**

Email [reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca) by **NOON** on Tuesday.

*Late entries will be published in the following week's edition. Please send in Word format.*

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